

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Favorable consideration of this application in light of the following discussion is respectfully requested.

Claims 1-3 and 5-9 are pending in the application, with Claim 4 cancelled and Claims 1 and 6 amended by the present amendment.

In the outstanding Office Action, Claim 6 was objected to; Claims 1-3, and 5 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over Applicants' admitted prior art in view of Kazuto (JP 11191865); Claim 4 were indicated as containing allowable subject matter; and Claims 6-9 were allowed.

Applicants gratefully acknowledge the indication of the allowable subject matter.

Claim 6 is amended to correct the informality noted in the Official Action. No new matter is added.

Claim 1 is amended to recite the allowable features of Claim 4. No new matter is added. Thus, Applicants submit Claim 1, and all claims depending therefrom, are now condition for allowance.

Accordingly, in light of the previous discussion, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition for allowance and respectfully request an early and favorable action to that effect.

Respectfully submitted,

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